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## Parra Notes

September 16, 2005

Happy Friday to all of you! It sure feels good to be back home in the Valley... I want to begin by commending the **Bakersfield City Firefighters** and other members from the law enforcement community for organizing the **Guns and Hoses Charity Golf Tournament** to benefit **Muscular Dystrophy**. My golf foursome included the President of the Kern County Firefighters Union **Derek Robinson**, Kern County Firefighters Union Director **Allen Montes** and Kern County Firefighter **Nick Montana**. We didn't get the lowest score in the tournament, but we had a great time.

On Tuesday in **Richgrove**, I joined **Mark** and **Ryan Zaninovich** at their vineyard to discuss agriculture related issues. I also had the opportunity to go out into the fields and meet with several farm workers who shared with me their concerns. I then made my way to the **Tulare County Fairgrounds** for the **Agri-Business Kick-Off luncheon**. Those of us in attendance got to listen to a presentation from **Richard Cummings**, Director of Research and Communications at the **Great Valley Center**.

On Wednesday, I was up at the crack of dawn to make an appearance on the **17 News at Sunrise** show and on **News Radio 970**. I had the opportunity to speak about two of my bills signed by the Governor **AB 434**, **AB 208** and my **ICE** (In Case of Emergencies) resolution. Later in the day, I met with **Gabriel Ramirez**, reporter for the new Latino weekly magazine **Más**. The first edition of **Más** hits the newsstands **today** and is **absolutely free**. There is no better deal than that. I will be included in their **September 23<sup>rd</sup>** edition so make sure to pick up a copy. I ended my day in **Kingsburg** where I hosted a Kingsburg elected officials meeting and honored some pretty amazing people including Kingsburg Mayor **Leland Bergstrom**, Superintendent of the Kingsburg Union High School District **Linda Clark**, Kingsburg Lions Club Member **Steve Safarjian** and Kingsburg City employee **Sue Bauch**.

On Thursday, I was invited by **Judge Roper** to attend the **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Adult Drug Court graduation** in **Visalia**. I always enjoy attending these because it's one of the most important graduations these individuals will ever have. It signifies the start of a new life for them and their families.

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## **EVENTS**

During our legislative break, I will be attending several meetings and events throughout the district. Below you will find just a few of the events and meetings that I am scheduled to attend in September. If you are planning to attend any of these, please be sure to seek me out and say hello. Stay tuned as more events will be added next week.

### **September (Tentative)**

- **Constitution and Citizenship Day** – September 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Kings River Hardwick School in Hardwick
- **Retirement Dinner for Kings County Veterans Service Officer Ron Dicken** - September 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Hanford.
- **11<sup>th</sup> Annual “Salute to Agriculture” Banquet** - September 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Lemoore.
- **Association of California School Administrators – Kings Charter Fall Conference** – September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Lemoore, CA 93245
- **Police Activities League** – September 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Bakersfield.
- **Tour of the Sears Logistic Center** –September 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in Delano.
- **Visit with Delano High School Civics Class**- September 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in Delano.
- **Alpaugh School Visit** –September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Alpaugh.
- **Delano Downtown Business Walks** –September 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. in Delano. Businesses include: Toppers Men’s Clothing, Jane’s Jewelers, Bank of America, Dailey’s Studio and Café Latte.
- **Tour of the Bakersfield College Delano Campus**- September 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Delano.
- **Corcoran Rotary** - September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Corcoran.
- **Kern County Annual Salute to Agriculture Dinner** –September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Kern County Fairgrounds (Park Place) in Bakersfield.

- **Corcoran Annual Cotton Festival Parade** - September 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Downtown Corcoran. The parade is set to begin on Dairy Ave.
- **2005 Hispanic Heritage Awards Banquet and Ball** – September 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Visalia.

#### **ID THEFT COMMUNITY FORUMS**

I will be hosting identity theft community forums in **Bakersfield** and **Kingsburg**. We will be discussing important information you need to know about protecting yourself from identity theft so I encourage all of you to attend. Location, times and dates can be found below.

#### **Kingsburg – September 24<sup>th</sup>**

Kingsburg Memorial Park  
Corner of Sierra and 18<sup>th</sup> St.  
Time 8:00 a.m. -9:30 a.m.

For more information please contact Matt Rogers at (559) 585-7170 or [Matt.Rogers@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Matt.Rogers@asm.ca.gov)

#### **Bakersfield – October 21st**

The Richard Prado Senior Center  
2101 Ridge Rd., Bakersfield, CA 93305  
Time: Noon – 2:00 p.m.

For more information please contact Manuel Barrera at (661) 334-3745 or [Manuel.Barrera@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Manuel.Barrera@asm.ca.gov)

#### **GUN SAFETY SEMINAR**

On **October 22<sup>nd</sup>**, I will host a **Gun Safety Seminar** at **Burris Park** in **Kingsburg**. I encourage all of you to attend as we will be discussing important safety tips and new gun laws we should all be familiar with. Trigger locks will be given out for free. Burris Park is located at 6500 Clinton Ave, Kingsburg, CA 93631. For more information please contact Frank Stiger at (559) 585-7170 or at [Frank.Stigers@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Frank.Stigers@asm.ca.gov).

#### **OTHER HIGHLIGHTS**

##### **‘ICE’ IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES**

Give emergency personnel another tool in providing you with the necessary medical services by using ‘ICE’. It only takes a minute. All you have to do is enter the acronym ‘ICE’ with a name and phone number into your cell phone’s address book of the individuals you would like to be contacted in case of an emergency.

##### **CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY**

The first official meeting of the “California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley” will be held **Friday, September 16th** at the University of the Pacific in **Stockton** from **1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** This meeting is open to the public so I encourage all of you to attend.

### SENIOR FIELD REPRESENTATIVE WANTED

There is an opening for a Senior Field Representative position in my Bakersfield District Office. The position requires an individual who can act as official representative and liaison between the community and my office. Two to three years of management experience is recommended. Those interested can send their resume to my Chief of Staff Cynthia León by fax at 916-319-2130 or by email [cynthia.leon@asm.ca.gov](mailto:cynthia.leon@asm.ca.gov) .

### GRANTS

My office is distributing grant packages. Included in each package is information regarding, state, federal and private grants. To pick one up or have one mailed to you please contact Juan Cerda at (661) 334-3745 or by e-mail at [Juan.Cerda@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Juan.Cerda@asm.ca.gov)

### INTERNS WANTED

I am accepting applications for the fall internship program in my **Hanford** and **Bakersfield** district offices. Candidates should be residents of the 30th Assembly District, possess solid research and communication skills, have a strong interest in public policy and political issues facing the Central Valley.

Applications can be found by going to:

<http://democrats.assembly.ca.gov/members/a30>.

For more information please contact Matt Rogers at the Hanford District Office at **(559) 585-7170** or by e-mail at [Matt.Rogers@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Matt.Rogers@asm.ca.gov). For Bakersfield office internships please contact **Manuel Barrera** at **(661) 334-3745** or by e-mail at [Manuel.Barrera@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Manuel.Barrera@asm.ca.gov)

*Note:* I failed to mention in my September 2<sup>nd</sup> **Parra Notes** that the **Kern County Firefighters** had made the trip to the gulf coast to aid in the hurricane Katrina rescue efforts.

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